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Grand Reopening of Lincoln Policing Center

Riverside, CA -- The City of Riverside is proud to host the Dedication and Grand Reopening of the newly refurbished Lincoln Avenue Policing Center on Thursday, March 13, 2008, at 11 a.m. The public is invited to attend the brief ceremony.

The 21,233-square-foot Lincoln Avenue Policing Center is a patrol-based police facility, originally opened in 1988. Field Operations and Detectives for the North and East Neighborhood Policing Centers (NPCs), related Fleet Services and Crime Analysis, are located here.

"Lincoln is once again a state-of-the-art policing facility, bringing high quality services closer to the communities we serve," said Chief of Police Russ Leach.

The City is made up of four Neighborhood Policing Center areas; Patrol divisions for the North and East areas will be based at Lincoln; Central and West areas are served from the Magnolia Policing Center, opened in July 2006. Also based at Lincoln are the Technical Support Unit and the department's underground Firearms Training Range.

The Lincoln Avenue facility was upgraded and modernized at a cost of \$1.6 million. There are 139 sworn and civilian police employees based at Lincoln: 97 Patrol Officers, 11 Detectives, 17 Sergeants, six Lieutenants, one Captain and seven civilian staff.

Chief Russ Leach and Mayor Ronald Loveridge will speak, in addition to Ward 4 City Council member Frank Schiavone, in whose ward the facility is located, and who will be Master of Ceremonies for the half-hour event. Public tours will follow until shortly after noon.

WHAT: Grand Reopening of Lincoln Avenue Policing Center WHEN: Thursday, March 13, 2008; ceremony begins at 11 a.m.

WHERE: 8181 Lincoln Ave., Riverside 92504





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Lincoln Avenue Policing Center

Fact sheet

Address: 8181 Lincoln Ave., Riverside 92504

(North side of Lincoln between Adams St. and St. Lawrence St.)

Total Size: 21,233 square feet

(New) Size: New office area of construction: 4821 square feet

(New) Size: 4,221 square feet are used by the North & East Precinct Investigators

and Supervisors.

(New) Size: 630 square feet are used by property room for collection / transfer of evidence to be stored at Magnolia Policing Center.

(New) Size: An additional 1,848 square feet of the upstairs mezzanine developed for investigations storage.

Total project cost: \$1.6 million

(The building was originally dedicated in 1988, when Ab Brown was Mayor, Ron Loveridge was Ward 1 Councilman and Sonny Richardson was Chief of Police)

Units located at Lincoln:

- North and East Patrol Divisions
- Technical Support Unit
- Crime Analysis
- Fleet Services
- Firearms Range

Operations:

- Daytime hours police facility, limited public services.
- North and East Patrol Divisions.

Personnel:

- 139 total sworn and civilian personnel
 - Patrol officers (North and East NPCs): 97 Detectives: 11
 - o 1 Captain, 6 Lieutenants, 17 Sergeants, 7 Civilian staff